

ST. NEOTS RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.



SAINT NEOTS, HUNTS.

8th June 1943.

ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1942.
(Condensed).

STATISTICS. - 125 live births were recorded. viz. 61 MALE (10 illegitimate) and 51 FEMALE (8 illegitimate).
STILLBIRTHS - 2.

POPULATION. - 7,712. BIRTH RATE - 16.2. per 1000.
MORTALITY RATE - 12.9.

CAUSES OF DEATH.Male.Female.

Respiratory Tubercler	3.	1.
Other Tubercler	1.	-
Influenza	1.	1.
Cancer	10.	5.
Diabetes	-	2.
Intracranial Vascular Lesions	-	-
Heart Disease	13.	12.
Other Circulatory	-	1.
Bronchitis	3.	5.
Pneumonia	2.	2.
Other Respiratory	-	1.
Digestive Disease	1.	1.
Nephritis	2.	-
Puerperal Sepsis	-	1.
Premature Birth	2.	-
Congenital	3.	1.
Suicide	2.	-
Road Traffic	1.	-
Other violence	1.	4.
Other causes	4.	2.
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>55.</u>	<u>44.</u>

INFECTIOUS DISEASE.Cases Notified.

Scarlet Fever	7.
Whooping cough	9.
Diphtheria	1.
Measles	27.
Pneumonia	9.
Puerperal Pyrexia	11.
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>64.</u>

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION - During the half-year ending 31st Dec. 1942 168 children under five years and 35 between 5 and 15 years were immunized - I estimate that 80% of the children are now immunized.

SCABIES. There are still some sporadic cases but not nearly as many as a year ago. Some, in my opinion, are aggravated by the parents or foster-parents applying sulphur ointment which they buy at the chemists too liberally and setting up a sulphur dermatitis.

VENEREAL DISEASE. Owing to the courtesy of my medical colleagues I am able to state that on 6.6.43 they were only aware of five cases in the St. Neots Urban and Rural Districts.

WATER SUPPLY. Frequent bacteriological examinations have been made. The public supply as far as it goes is very satisfactory.

MILK SUPPLY. This is not as good as I could wish. Insufficient attention is paid to the Milk & Dairies Order 1926. para 28. - (Cleansing of Churns, Bottles, etc). It is quite useless to pasteurize milk and then pour it into a dirty churn or bottle.

signed. E.J.CROSS.

